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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Microsoft Windows Server 2008 Guidance

Reference: DoD Directive 8500.1

1. DoD Directive 8500.1 requires that "all IA and IA-enabled IT products incorporated into DoD information systems shall be configured in accordance with DoD-approved security configuration guidelines" and tasks DISA to "develop and provide security configuration guidance for IA and IA-enabled IT products in coordination with Director, NSA."

2. Under the authority of DoD Directive 8500.1, DISA hereby endorses the use of Microsoft's Windows Server 2008 Security Guide as the DoD security configuration guidance. The Microsoft Security Guide is available at: http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc264463.aspx.

3. While the installation of Windows Server 2008 defaults to a secure state, there is a number of security options that can be further configured based on specific requirements. Therefore, all Windows Server 2008 systems should be configured in accordance with the Microsoft Security Guide and the DoD Windows Server 2008 Checklist.

4. The checklist is available on https://iase.disa.mil and on the IA Portal (https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/397960).

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